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Micah- I think we should work on a generic thank you letter to the Utah delegation for this trip. Let me know if you have any other thoughts.

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Downey,

First off, thank you to you and your team for taking the time to visit Utah. Senator Hatch wished his schedule would have permitted a longer visit with Secretary Zinke. I hope your visits have been productive.

Attached to this e-mail is a letter from Senator Hatch to Secretary Zinke. Will you please ensure the Secretary receives?

Safe travels!

Matt

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UNITED STATES SENATE  
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ORRIN G. HATCH  
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May 8, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke  
Secretary of the Interior  
Department of the Interior  
1849 C Street NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Mr. Secretary,

On behalf of the people of Utah, I wish to thank you for your action on Bears Ears. For years, we've waited for a Secretary who would put a stop to federal land grabs that undermine our economy and threaten the Western way of life. In you and President Trump, we finally have leaders who are willing to stand up for the forgotten man, including the locals who have too often been ignored in the debate over public lands. Thank you for putting Utah and the nation first.

Mr. Secretary, you're as good as they come. When we first discussed the national monuments issue back in January, I was impressed by your willingness to work with us to fix the mess left behind by the Obama administration. This weekend, you followed through on your word. I'm grateful for your leadership on this issue—so, too, are the people of Utah.

The President's executive order has changed the game in Utah, turning the tides of battle to favor local control. This is an exciting time for the Beehive State. We look forward to working with you in the months to come to undo the damage caused by the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase monument designations.

I'm grateful to have you on our side. Thank you, again, for making the trip to Utah this weekend. I wish you all the best.

Warmest Personal Regards,

Orrin G. Hatch  
United States Senator

*You're great! Call on me when you need me.*

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